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# Sport Ngin will move to former Minneapolis Public Schools headquarters (Photos)

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**Sport Ngin**, which makes software for managing sports league websites, is expanding and moving its headquarters to the former Minneapolis Public Schools offices in Northeast Minneapolis.

The fast-growing company will move to 30,000 square feet at 807 Broadway Ave. N.E. in June. The company is currently at 1400 Van Buren St. N.E.

[View photos of the new space here.](#)

The company hired about 200 of its 250 employees over the past three years, CEO [Justin Kaufenberg](#) said. He expects the new headquarters will give the company room to grow well into the future.

Sport Ngin scouted for office space in neighborhoods such as Minneapolis' North Loop, but Kaufenberg felt Northeast Minneapolis better fit the company's culture and history.

"When we looked at all the spaces, we wanted to be true to our roots," he said. "Our roots are very humble. We have a lot of pride in the work ethic and the industrial structure and everything Northeast."

Sport Ngin hasn't yet hired an architect for the project.

Sport Ngin will be the first large office tenant to land in the former school district headquarters. The district moved its offices to a new building on West Broadway two years ago and selected Minneapolis-based **Hillcrest Development** as the buyer of the

old headquarters [last year](#). The \$4.05 million deal [closed last month](#).

Scott Tankenoff, managing partner at Hillcrest, said he's excited to see successful entrepreneurs move into the building.

"Their pulse, their vision and their culture will permeate into the building. That's what we try to do with our projects," he said. "The number of employees they're going to have, the long term commitment they've made and the likelihood of continued growth are the most exciting parts of this."

Hillcrest will look at adding amenities to the building that appeal companies such as Sport Ngin, he added.

"Sport Ngin isn't a law firm in downtown Minneapolis and they want to recreate and congregate in ways that not all offices want do."

The former Minneapolis Public Schools project is still under construction, so Tankenoff hasn't been showing it off to many prospective tenants yet. However, he expects the project to open with several more tenants lined up next winter.

Sport Ngin announced [it raised \\$15 million in venture capital in March](#), [\\$10 million in June](#) and [another \\$4 million in July](#), bringing the total size of Sport Ngin's Series D round of financing to \$29 million.

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